

Conductor size AWG or MGM	Maximum allowable circuit breaker instantaneous setting (amperes)
14 .....	50
12 .....	75
10 .....	150
8 .....	200
6 .....	300
4 .....	500
3 .....	600
2 .....	800
1 .....	1,000
1/0 .....	1,250
2/0 .....	1,500
3/0 .....	2,000
4/0 .....	2,500
250 .....	2,500
300 .....	2,500
350 .....	2,500
400 .....	2,500
450 .....	2,500
500 .....	2,500

**§ 75.601-2 Short circuit protection; use of fuses; approval by the Secretary.**

Fuses shall not be employed to provide short circuit protection for trailing cables unless specifically approved by the Secretary.

**§ 75.601-3 Short circuit protection; dual element fuses; current ratings; maximum values.**

Dual element fuses having adequate current-interrupting capacity shall meet the requirements for short circuit protection of trailing cables as provided in §75.601, however, the current ratings of such devices shall not exceed the maximum values specified in this section:

Conductor size (AWG or MGM)	Single conductor cable		Two conductor cable	
	Ampacity	Max. fuse rating	Ampacity	Max. fuse rating
14 .....	.....	.....	15	15
12 .....	.....	.....	20	20
10 .....	.....	.....	25	25
8 .....	60	60	50	50
6 .....	85	90	65	70
4 .....	110	110	90	90
3 .....	130	150	105	110
2 .....	150	150	120	125
1 .....	170	175	140	150
1/0 .....	200	200	170	175
2/0 .....	235	250	195	200
3/0 .....	275	300	225	225
4/0 .....	315	350	260	300
250 .....	350	350	285	300
300 .....	395	400	310	350
350 .....	445	450	335	350
400 .....	480	500	360	400
450 .....	515	600	385	400

Conductor size (AWG or MGM)	Single conductor cable		Two conductor cable	
	Ampacity	Max. fuse rating	Ampacity	Max. fuse rating
500 .....	545	600	415	450

**§ 75.602 Trailing cable junctions.**

[STATUTORY PROVISION]

When two or more trailing cables junction to the same distribution center, means shall be provided to assure against connecting a trailing cable to the wrong size circuit breaker.

**§ 75.603 Temporary splice of trailing cable.**

[STATUTORY PROVISION]

One temporary splice may be made in any trailing cable. Such trailing cable may only be used for the next 24-hour period. No temporary splice shall be made in a trailing cable within 25 feet of the machine, except cable reel equipment. Temporary splices in trailing cables shall be made in a workmanlike manner and shall be mechanically strong and well insulated. Trailing cables or hand cables which have exposed wires or which have splices that heat or spark under load shall not be used. As used in this section, the term "splice" means the mechanical joining of one or more conductors that have been severed.

**§ 75.604 Permanent splicing of trailing cables.**

[STATUTORY PROVISIONS]

When permanent splices in trailing cables are made, they shall be:

- Mechanically strong with adequate electrical conductivity and flexibility;
- Effectively insulated and sealed so as to exclude moisture; and
- Vulcanized or otherwise treated with suitable materials to provide flame-resistant qualities and good bonding to the outer jacket.
- Made using splice kits accepted or approved by MSHA as flame resistant.

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